

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4835–S4918*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3370–3376 and S.J. Res. 47. **Pages S4892–93**

**Measures Passed:**

***Raoul Wallenberg Centennial Celebration Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 3001, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust. **Page S4916**

***Veteran Skills to Jobs Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 4155, to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses. **Page S4916**

**Measures Considered:**

***Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act:*** Senate began consideration of S. 2237, to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S4835–85**

Pending:

Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 2521, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4884**

Reid Amendment No. 2522 (to Amendment No. 2521), to change the enactment date. **Page S4884**

Reid Amendment No. 2523 (to Amendment No. 2522), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4884**

Reid Amendment No. 2524 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2521), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4884**

Reid Amendment No. 2525 (to Amendment No. 2524), to change the enactment date. **Pages S4884–85**

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2526, to change the enactment date. **Page S4885**

Reid Amendment No. 2527 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2526), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4885**

Reid Amendment No. 2528 (to Amendment No. 2527), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4885**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 2521 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, July 13, 2012. **Page S4884**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 2521 (listed above). **Page S4885**

**Bring Jobs Back to America:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3364, to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America. **Pages S4885–86**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the issuance of an Executive Order modifying the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, with respect to Burma; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–55) **Pages S4890–91**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Dorothy Kosinski, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2016.

Dawn M. Liberi, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi.

Stephen D. Mull, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Poland.

Walter North, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Navy.

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Adjournment:	Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:03 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 12, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4916.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### MEDICARE PHYSICIAN PAYMENTS

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Medicare physician payments, focusing on perspectives from physicians, after receiving testimony from Ardis D. Hoven, American Medical Association, Lexington, Kentucky; Glen Stream, American Academy of Family Physicians, Spokane, Washington; Frank Opelka, American College of Surgeons, New Orleans, Louisiana; W. Douglas Weaver, American College of Cardiology, Detroit, Michigan; and Barbara McAneny, New Mexico Oncology Hematology Consultants, Albuquerque, on behalf of the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

### HOMELAND SECURITY

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the future of Homeland Security, focusing on evolving and emerging threats, after receiving testimony from Michael V. Hayden, former Director, Central Intelligence Agency and National Security Agency, on behalf of the Chertoff Group, and Frank J. Cilluffo, George Washington University Homeland Security Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.; Brian Michael Jenkins, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, California; and Stephen E. Flynn, Northeastern University George J. Kostas Research Institute for Homeland Security, Boston, Massachusetts.

### STANDARD ESSENTIAL PATENTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the impact on competition of exclusion orders to enforce standard-essential patents, after receiving testimony from Joseph F. Wayland, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; and Edith Ramirez, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Thomas M. Durkin, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, who was introduced by Senator Coons, and Jon S. Tigar, and William H. Orrick III, of the District of Columbia, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, who were both introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 6098–6105, were introduced. **Page H4827**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H4828**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:  
H.R. 3674, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make certain improvements in the laws relating to cybersecurity, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–592, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3862, to impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in

accordance with the terms thereof, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–593); and

H.R. 1996, to amend titles 5 and 28, United States Code, with respect to the award of fees and other expenses in cases brought against agencies of the United States, to require the Administrative Conference of the United States to compile, and make publicly available, certain data relating to the Equal Access to Justice Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–594). **Page H4827**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H4786**